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Baby joy: Twins at Christmas

NAPPY LANDINGS: A family was celebrating very special deliveries this Christmas. Burnley couple Roma Khanom, 20, and Kashem Uddin, 27, welcomed their new twins to the world after the birth was induced at Lancashire Women and New Born Centre, at Burnley General Hospital. Their two new daughters are sisters for their little girl Zaima, two.

Residents oppose tenth off-licence

Families fear increase in drunken louts

By TYRONE MARSHALL

Residents have rallied together to oppose plans to open the tenth off-licence in their neighbourhood.

Around 120 residents have signed a petition against the proposal to open a shop in Brennand Street, Burnley.

Residents said there were already nine off-licences within a 500-yard radius, and the area suffered from anti-social behaviour, litter and criminal damage as a result. An application by Tariq Hussain Shah to open the off-licence, at 12 Brennand Street, from 9am to 10pm every day, has been submitted to Burnley Council, and the licensing committee will make a decision on January 8.

The petition was organised by the Burnley Lane Residents' Action Group.

Group secretary Jennifer Braddock said: "Within a 500-yard radius of this property we already have nine outlets selling alcohol.

"This area suffers from a high level of anti-social behaviour, much of which stems from alcohol misuse.

"We have a considerable number of bottles and cans deposited on windowsills, in doorways, and on pavements, especially on Friday and Saturday evenings.

"In the past there have been windows broken by bottles being thrown, and many people have had cars damaged due to drunken and loutish behaviour.

"There is a high proportion of families with young children, and late-night opening will have a major impact on their lives."

The off-licence will need an age verification policy in place, and the applicant has also said that a digital CCTV system will be in operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and the staff will maintain an incident log book which will include under-age sales refusals.

Police name top 10 'most wanted'

The top 10 most wanted fugitives in East Lancashire have been revealed. They include a convicted armed robber, a man accused of committing a sex act in a park, and a suspected benefit fraudster.

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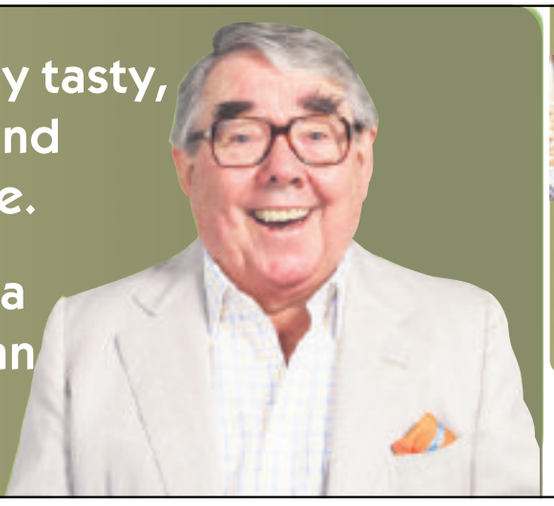

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Speeding cars and parking on agenda

Speeding cars in Halifax Road, parking problems in Massey Street, and resurfacing of Back Castle Street, are issues on the agenda at the next Brierfield and Reedley Committee meeting on January 8, to be chaired by **Coun Naeem Ashraf**, at Brierfield Town Hall, from 7pm.

Bishop says thanks

Retired Bishop of Blackburn, **the Rt Rev Nicholas Reade**, has sent a message of thanks to his former colleagues after receiving gifts of a customised coffee table, made from a church pew, and a jasmine tree, at his final eucharist.

RSPCA appeal

Volunteers are needed by the Lancashire East branch of the RSPCA. Helpers can assist by dog walking, fostering, fundraising, or volunteering at the charity's shops in Burnley and Clitheroe. Call 01200 425176, or send an email to steve.suttie@rspca-lancseast.org.uk

Extra park patrols

Complaints have been received by police about anti-social teenagers gathering in Victoria Park, Barnoldswick. Patrols of the area are to be stepped up.

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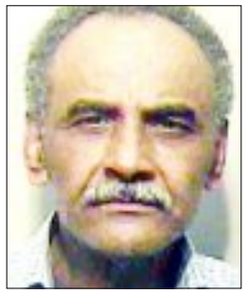

'SEX ACT': Mehrez Mansouri

SUMMONS ISSUED: Richard Roy Brown

'FALSE PAPERS': Mohammed Afridi Khan

DAMAGE WARRANT: Thomas Henry Coupe

SENTENCE BREACH: Anthony Partington

'BOOZE THEFT': Sergey Naumov

'TWO BEATINGS': Brendan Smalley

BURGLARY ORDER: Robert Metcalf

'GOING EQUIPPED': Valentas Reifonas

10 most wanted in East Lancs

By **VANESSA CORNALL**

The top 10 most wanted fugitives in East Lancashire have been revealed.

They include a convicted armed robber, a man accused of committing a sex act in a park, and a suspected benefit fraudster.

Police have warned the suspects, who are either wanted on prison recall, or who have skipped bail, they will not stop until they are caught.

Top of the list is Thomas Francis McDonagh. He is accused of taking part in a number of burglaries in Blackburn, Blackpool, and Preston, where car keys were taken from a house, and then cars stolen.

The 33-year-old, originally from Wyre, was sentenced to two consecutive 10-year sentences in 2003 for robbery, but had recently been released on licence. Following suspicions of further offences, this licence has now been revoked.

Anyone who spots McDonagh is urged to contact police immediately, and not to approach him.

Another fugitive is Mehrez Mansouri, who went on the run in July after he appeared in court charged with outraging public decency. He is accused of committing a sex act in Towneley Park, on July 5. His last known address was Todmorden Road, Burnley.

Richard Roy Brown, from Accrington, is being sought by the courts after being charged with drink driving in Queens Road West, Church. The 24-year-old failed to appear before magistrates when a summons was issued.

A warrant has also been issued for Mohammed Afridi Khan, last known to be living in Randal Street, Blackburn. A judge at Preston Crown court issued the warrant after Khan failed to answer a charge of possessing false identity papers in a bid to claim benefits.

The search is also on for Thomas Henry Coupe, thought to be living in Blackburn, or Accrington. A warrant was issued for his arrest after he failed to appear at Burnley Magistrates' Court to answer a charge of criminal damage at a house in Oswaldtwistle.

Police are also searching for Anthony Partington, 46, last known to live in Manxman Road, Blackburn. A warrant for his arrest has been issued by Preston Crown Court following an allegation of criminal damage which breaches a suspended sentence order following a burglary in Blackburn in 2010.

Sergey Naumov, 48, thought to be living in Blackburn, is being sought in connection with the theft of alcohol from Blackburn Asda.

A judge has also issued a warant for the arrest of Brendan Smalley, believed to be living in Blackburn. The 24-year-old was charged with causing grievous bodily harm with intent, and assault by beating on two separate people in March 2011.

Robert Metcalf is wanted for breaching a court order in relation to an offence of burglary in March 2011. A warrant has been issued by Burnley Crown Court for the 21-year-old thought to be living in Nelson.

Valentas Reifonas, 24, thought to be living in Nelson, is wanted by Burnley Magistrates' Court for going equipped for theft in Church Street, Burnley.

Detective Inspector Mark Winstanley said: "As a force, we arrest a significant number of people who are either wanted on warrant, or wanted on prison recall.

"However, a small number of people will do all that they can to evade capture by the police and go to ground. This is where we need the public to assist us in trying to locate those who are outstanding.

"If anyone recognises any of these people, then I would ask them to come forward and contact us. They are all wanted for either an offence, or for breaking the conditions of their licence, therefore they are at large.

"I would also appeal direct to those people who are wanted. You should come forward and hand yourself in. We will never give up in trying to find you and the sensible thing for you to do is make contact with us immediately."

Anyone with information should call police on 101, or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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Free computer basics at library

A free online basics computer course resumes today (Wednesday), between 9.30am and 12.30pm, at Burnley Library, in Grimshaw Street. Booking is required due to limited computer numbers.

For more information, contact 01282 437115, or email burnley.library@lancashire.gov.uk

Street Slam grant

Brierfield Action in the Community has received a grant of £300 from Pendle county councillor **Mohammed Iqbal**.

The money will be put towards the cost of a forthcoming Street Slam Tournament event.

Firefighter appeal

An appeal for retained firefighters covering Barnoldswick and Earby has been renewed. People interested in the part-time roles should contact Nelson Fire Station on 01282 612312.

Sing 4 Fun date

A Sing 4 Fun event is being held at Church House, Cliviger, from 10.30am, on January 26. Tickets cost £5 and it is suggested families take a picnic. Proceeds will go to the NSPCC.

Telegraph at heart of life-saving defibs drive

Nine schools across East Lancashire are to be given life-saving equipment thanks to our sister newspaper, the Lancashire Telegraph, and a heart failure charity.

Almost £10,000 was presented to Hapton-based organisation Pumping Marvellous, on behalf of the Gannett Foundation, the charitable arm of Gannett Co Inc, owner of Newsquest Media Group, whose titles include the Lancashire Telegraph and Citizens.

The cash will buy portable automated external defibrillators (AEDs) to be sited at schools within each of the six East Lancashire boroughs, in locations identified by the North West Ambulance Service as hotspots for cardiac arrests.

Receiving a cheque for £9,936 Nick Hartshorne-Evans, founder of Pumping Marvellous, said: "Around 12 young people a week died of a cardiac arrest and quick access to a defibrillator gives a far greater chance of survival.

"This wonderfull donation will enable us to put AEDs into communities where statistics show there is a definite need.

"The machines are straightforward to operate, and maintain, and we will train 20 nominated people to use them. A lot of schools are in the middle of housing estates and built-up areas, and we will also leaflet these zones so people know where they are kept."

Mr Hartshorne-Evans, a self-employed businessman, founded the charity two years ago when he suffered a cardiac arrest, aged 39.

He has now dedicated himself to raising awareness, and helping heart failure patients, and their carers. On St Valentine's Day, Pumping Marvellous is planning to launch a 'heart failure toolkit' containing all the information heart failure patients need, from basic advice on health services and benefits, to first aid needs. He added that schools would be selected by mid-February, following consultation with the ambulance service, and the AEDs would begin being put in place shortly afterwards.

Lancashire Telegraph assistant editor Nick Nunn said: "Fast response quite literally saves lives after a cardiac arrest, as was vividly shown with the tragic collapse of Bolton footballer Patrice Muamba.

"We are pleased to be able to help get these machines strategically placed in our communities where they are sorely needed."

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Library visits in Nelson and Colne have rocketed since Lancashire County Council launched a high-profile campaign to bring people back in.

More than 40,000 people visited Nelson Library in September and October, more than at any other library of its size in Lancashire.

And Colne Library saw a year-on-year increase in new members of more than five per cent.

The campaign ran in September and October, and featured Lancashire library users on eye-catching billboards, posters, phone boxes, and buses, as well as on the council's social media channels on Twitter, Flickr and YouTube.

County Coun Mike Calvert, cabinet member for adult and community services, said: "We know that libraries are important to people's quality of life and are at the heart of local communities, which is why we are investing around £6.5million in refurbishing our network of 74 libraries across the county.

"I'm delighted that the campaign has been as successful in Colne and Nelson as in other parts of the county. It just shows that people do respond when we let them know about the brilliant range of services available in our libraries."

Both libraries ran a host of events to welcome in their local communities, and hosted visits from local schools to give pupils a chance to find out what's on offer, and to sign up as new members.

The campaign came as the council is midway through its £6.5million regenerate programme, which is refurbishing its 74-strong network of library branches.

The programme is aimed at ensuring that those libraries will not only remain open, but will provide modern, flexible facilities fit for the 21st century.

CAMPAIGN SUCCESS: Staff who signed up new library members were entered in a prize draw. Winners Jean Pickup, left, from Colne Library, and Kirsty Hornsby, from Nelson, and Colne resident Robert Style

Revamp will close pool for 7 weeks

A swimming pool in Nelson has closed for seven weeks for major refurbishment work.

The pool at Pendle Wavelengths closed on December 31, and will re-open on Monday, February 18.

The gym, all exercise classes, and the Inside Spa, will not be affected and will continue to operate as normal.

The work will include the installation of new changing rooms, showers and lockers, the water slide is to be refurbished, and better changing facilities are to be created for families and disabled customers.

Centre manager Quammer Iqbal said: "I know this will cause some inconvenience, but I'm sure customers will agree it will be worth it.

"We have been waiting a long time for this refurbishment to improve the changing facilities in the pool area, and now we have the go-ahead, we are very pleased and excited.

"We are always looking at ways to improve our service and standards to benefit our customers, and I'm sure they will see this refurbishment as a significant improvement."

People can still use Pendle Leisure Trust's other swimming pools at Pendle Leisure Centre, in Colne, and West Craven Sports Centre, in Barnoldswick.

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iSay

Chris Gribben, general manager, Charter Walk Shopping Centre, gives an update on the latest retail developments in Burnley.

December has seen a host of activity at Charter Walk, as we have welcomed a number of new signings, and received an award for our safe and secure car parking facilities.

The latest of the new signings is Next, whose new store is spread over two floors and occupies 20,000sq ft of space on the former TJ Hughes site.

A new bigger, and better, Next is a great addition to Charter Walk.

Fashion retailer River Island has renewed its commitment to the centre by signing a new 10-year lease for the new Unit 1 to be formed as part of the Market Square redevelopment proposals.

River Island's new store will double from its current size to 11,300sq ft, and allow the retailer to expand its range of fashion goods on offer.

WH Smith have agreed to relocate from their existing Market Square unit to the former Bon Marche store on a new 10-year lease in early 2013 in order to make way for this planned redevelopment.

Recently-opened Entertainment Exchange retailer CEX Ltd has also agreed a new 10-year lease at 41 St James Street, while Textiles Direct has relocated to the former Currys unit, in Market Square

Other retailers demonstrating their commitment to Burnley include fashion retailer Monsoon, which has signed a new five-year lease renewal on its Mall store, and Game signing a new five-year lease renewal on its St James Street store.

Amidst all the new signings, advanced discussions are being undertaken with national retailers for the remaining two retail units.

The recent signings, and openings, demonstrate the renewed and growing confidence retailers have in Charter Walk, and Burnley.

GROWING CONFIDENCE: Charter Walk shopping centre

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Burnley on social media sites this week

Nicki Minaj clearly got her inspiration for the song Starships from the bus company in Burnley.
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Burnley couple to celebrate 'perfect' Christmas with baby they thought they'd never have (From Lancashire Telegraph) lancashiretelegraph.co.uk/news/10126133
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I'm starting to think Venky's are massive Burnley fans.
@niallfogg_

Despite being a staunch Burnley football fan - sometimes one has to feel sorry for the fans down the road at Blackburn!
@derekath

Only person in Burnley wearing a Christmas jumper was me
@lhartley93

The online debate

Hundreds of Burnley fans unwrap claret and blue onesies

Pretty sad if you are a male and resort to admitting you own a onesie
golazzo

Do they sell adult nappies for them too?
hasslem hasslem

Classic - a dingle in a onesie - just love it - only in Bonleh!
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Well first they were Dingles, now they have evolved to Teletubbies Genius
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Haven't stopped laughing since I saw this article this morning.
owd nick

Burnley Council plans new penalties for owners of empty properties

I'm m all for empty properties being subject to council tax, but how can the council charge 50% more than the actual legally-set amount for a property?
If a property is empty for up to 6 months, no Council Tax is payable currently because they allow an 100% discount. However, they are only going to allow a 50% discount in the future, so Landlords will be liable to pay.
mothernature

Ludicrous that they will be taxing properties that are actually undergoing major structural repairs. It isn't as if they could be lived in.
davemcb

Council house stock???? I thought all this was sold off in 2004 to Burnley & Padiham community housing, now the latter Calico, a non-profit housing company. Burnley Council owns no stock, or they have an interest in all Calico homes. Funny how all the old council workers still work for Calico.
Mikeee47

I filled in the questionaire on this subject and it was very biased in the questioning, Everybody thinks about some London-based landlord who owns 20 empty properties and leaves them empty hoping for a compulsory purchase when, in reality, your parent could die and it might take two years to sell the house and you will have to stump up the council tax
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NEW RECRUITS: Clockwise, from left, Tippie bares her teeth; Leanne Jackson with Tippie; senior instructor Simon Harwood with Zeus; and, from left, Leanne with Tippie, Liam Mahon with Sirius, John Cuthbertson with Logan, Pete Crowther with Zeus, and Sarah Sapey with Alice

Latest canine crimefighters

By VANESSA CORNALL

East Lancashire's newest generation of crimefighters have taken to the streets.

Five highly-trained police dog handlers, and their canine companions, have just graduated from the force's 13-week extensive training programme.

Trained in search and rescue, drug searching, and offender tracking, these general purpose police teams are now ready to patrol the streets of Lancashire.

PC Simon Harwood, senior dog instructor, said: "Dog handlers are serving police officers who, instead of working with a colleague, work with their dog.

"At any one time in Lancashire there can be up to six handlers and dogs out on the streets either patrolling, or responding to a shout.

"These new recruits have just finished their training and been independently assessed.

"There is a minimum standard to reach and two of our dogs have surpassed this, reaching advanced already."

Lancashire Police are leading the way in dog training techinques, including the breed of dogs they use.

As well as the commonly known German Shepherds, Lancashire Police also work closely with Belgium malinois and Dutch herders.

PC Harwood said: "We are really unique in Lancashire as we use reward-based training techniques to teach all our dogs.

"Most other forces just compel the dogs to act in a certain way, and you can often see the dog is not enjoying that.

"We reward our dogs with toys, but we always turn them away from being the puppy that lies in front of the fire.

"We utilise their natural instinct to hunt, and they really enjoy it.

"No police dog will ever be found sitting on the sofa watching Corrie. All our dogs live outside, regardless of the weather, to prevent them picking up skin infections, overheating and damaging their nasal capabilities."

Lancashire has more than 40 dogs and 20 handlers, with some of those specially trained to sniff out blood, human remains, or explosives.

PC Anna Woods, dog instructor said: "There is nothing better than attending a job where you and your dog have to work together to catch an offender. It gives you a real buzz. The dog is your best friend who would literally die for you. That devotion is something these new recruits will now experience when they go out on their own for the first time."

Lorries concern

Briercliffe Parish Council has had a response from the county council over concerns about heavy goods vehicles passing through Harle Syke, Burnley. The highways authority said it had no plans to restrict the size of vehicles on roads in the village.

Tributes to 'true gent' teacher

Tributes have been paid following the death of a retired teacher who taught at a Burnley high school for more than 30 years.

Thomas Chaffer, who died last month, aged 76, was a geography master at Towneley High School for 33 years, and also taught at Burnley College.

Mr Chaffer, who leaves his wife Mary, 76, and two sons, Christopher and Richard, also had an active retirement after leaving the school in 1994, rediscovering his early love of drawing, and learning foreign languages. His son Richard, 35, said: "I think dad was perfectly suited to being a teacher. He had a gentle, tolerant nature and treated everyone as equals. He also used to enjoy injecting humour into his teaching and loved cracking jokes.

HUMOUR Thomas Chaffer

"Everyone who has spoken to me about him since his death has described him as a 'true gent'.

"In recent years he had returned to an early love and hobby of his, drawing. He enjoyed drawing people around Burnley, in particular Ightenhill, for a number of years, capturing the various characters and musicians at the local clubs and pubs.

"He also learned Italian and German, which was some achievement for someone of his years."

He was also secretary of Burnley West Probus Club.

His funeral service was on December 31.

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Citizen In brief

Police warning after foul deeds

Dog owners in the Lanehead area of Burnley are being asked to clear up their pets' mess after police received complaints from residents. The problem is particularly bad around the Basnett Street garages, and Abinger Street area.

Write place to be

A creative writing course is being offered at Colne Library by the Arts on Prescription programme, run by NHS East Lancashire, on Thursdays, from 9.30am, starting on January 10.

Clerk needed

Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council is looking for a new clerk. The job requires taking minutes at meetings, and normally takes a few hours a week. Anyone interested should email anniecc3@hotmail.com

Gentle exercise

A tai chi class takes place at St Mary Magdalene's Church, in Gawthorpe Road, Burnley, every Thursday, from 4.30pm.

Anyone interested is welcome to go along.

Bishop's revulsion at child abusers

By DAVID WATKINSON

The acting Bishop of Blackburn has spoken of his revulsion at child abusers like Jimmy Savile who have dominated the news recently.

In his Christmas message, the Rt Rev John Goddard, Bishop of Burnley and acting Bishop of Blackburn, also spoke about the difficulties so many people in East Lancashire are having to put food on the table.

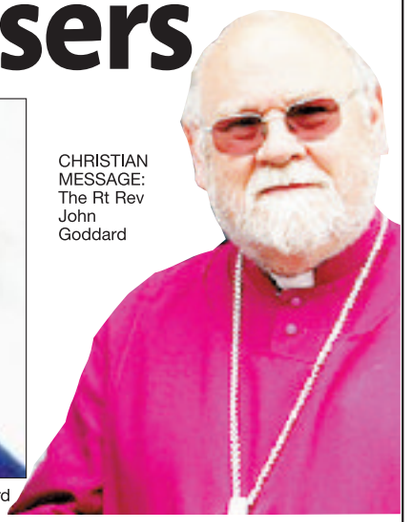
Bishop John, who delivered the message at Blackburn Cathedral on Christmas Day, said: "Much is made of the power and influence some people can and do hold. Indeed, there is the power for good, but so often power is used to dominate and is used to harm or diminish people.

"Recently we have heard much about awful child abuse where adults have used their position to dominate the young, and exploit their vulnerability.

"This has caused our nation to shudder with revulsion."

He said he had been heartened by people's generosity in tough times.

HARM: Hundreds of people have come forward with abuse claims against Jimmy Savile



CHRISTIAN MESSAGE: The Rt Rev John Goddard

Bishop John said: "East Lancashire faces difficult times during the recession, and yet there is a warmth and readiness to reach out to each other.

"Some urban areas, particularly in Burnley and Blackburn, are facing difficulties in making sure the food banks are well stocked.

"We might say that in the 21st Century food parcels should not be necessary in our developed nation, but in East Lancashire over 930 a week are needed.

"This is mind-blowing, but given that Lancashire people do not just sit back but assist where they can, in this, they reflect the service of God who comes in Christ to serve us.

"This Christmas I pray while we enjoy our festivities we do not neglect the needy. Perhaps also we could look to that care being realised in seeking how better to enrich the lives of others around us.

"For Christians this starts in honouring Christ himself, for our deepest need is met in him who came in poverty and simplicity, was born for us in a stable and gave us his life on the cross, so that in his rising to glory we find our true selves in his service, and so develop the courage to serve each other."

£3,526 hearing problems payout

A former weaver has secured a £3,500 payout from insurers acting on behalf of the former Smith and Nephew factory, in Colne, because of hearing problems.

The unnamed worker at the medical fabrics division, based in North Valley Mill, was exposed to excessive levels of noise while working close to weaving looms and knotting machines.

Lawyers say he was only offered hearing protection in the latter stages of his career, and now suffers from mild hearing loss and tinnitus.

Later, the same worker was employed by Northern Wallcoverings, of Skipton Road, Colne, as a packer and printer's assistant.

He was also exposed to noise from printing machines, and similarly he was only offered ear protectors towards the latter end of his working life there.

Manchester-based WE Solicitors secured an out-of-court settlement of £3,526 for the worker.

170 seriously injured at work in East Lancs

Last year 170 people suffered serious injuries while at work in East Lancashire, new figures show.

There were also 759 people who needed at least three days off work as a result of a job-related injury.

HIGH RISK: Industries such as construction are worst affected

Employers are being urged to focus on the real risks affecting workers.

The Health and Safety Executive has asked businesses to rethink workplace safety provisions in the New Year after the number of deaths in Great Britain as a whole failed to show a significant fall in 2011/12.

A total of 173 workers were killed at work in Great Britain last year, compared to 175 deaths during 2010/11. More than 23,000 workers also suffered a major injury.

In East Lancashire, there was one work-related death in the year.

Nationally high-risk industries include construction, which had 49 deaths last year, agriculture with 33 deaths, manufacturing with 31 deaths, and waste and recycling with 5 deaths – making up more than half of all workplace deaths.

David Snowball, HSE's director for the north, said: "Health and safety in the workplace needs to be taken seriously. I hope that in 2013, employers will tackle the real, rather than the trivial, dangers that workers face, and not mire themselves in pointless paperwork, so we can reduce the number of workplace deaths and major injuries."

Plan to expand canal marina gets go-ahead

Plans to expand a thriving marina to boost tourism in Pendle have been approved on appeal.

The application to build 10 lodges and a cafe, at Lower Park Marina, in Barnoldswick, was refused by councillors a year ago.

But bosses at the tourist attraction, situated on the Leeds and Liverpool Canal, appealed that decision and, following a review, the planning inspectorate has granted permission for the work.

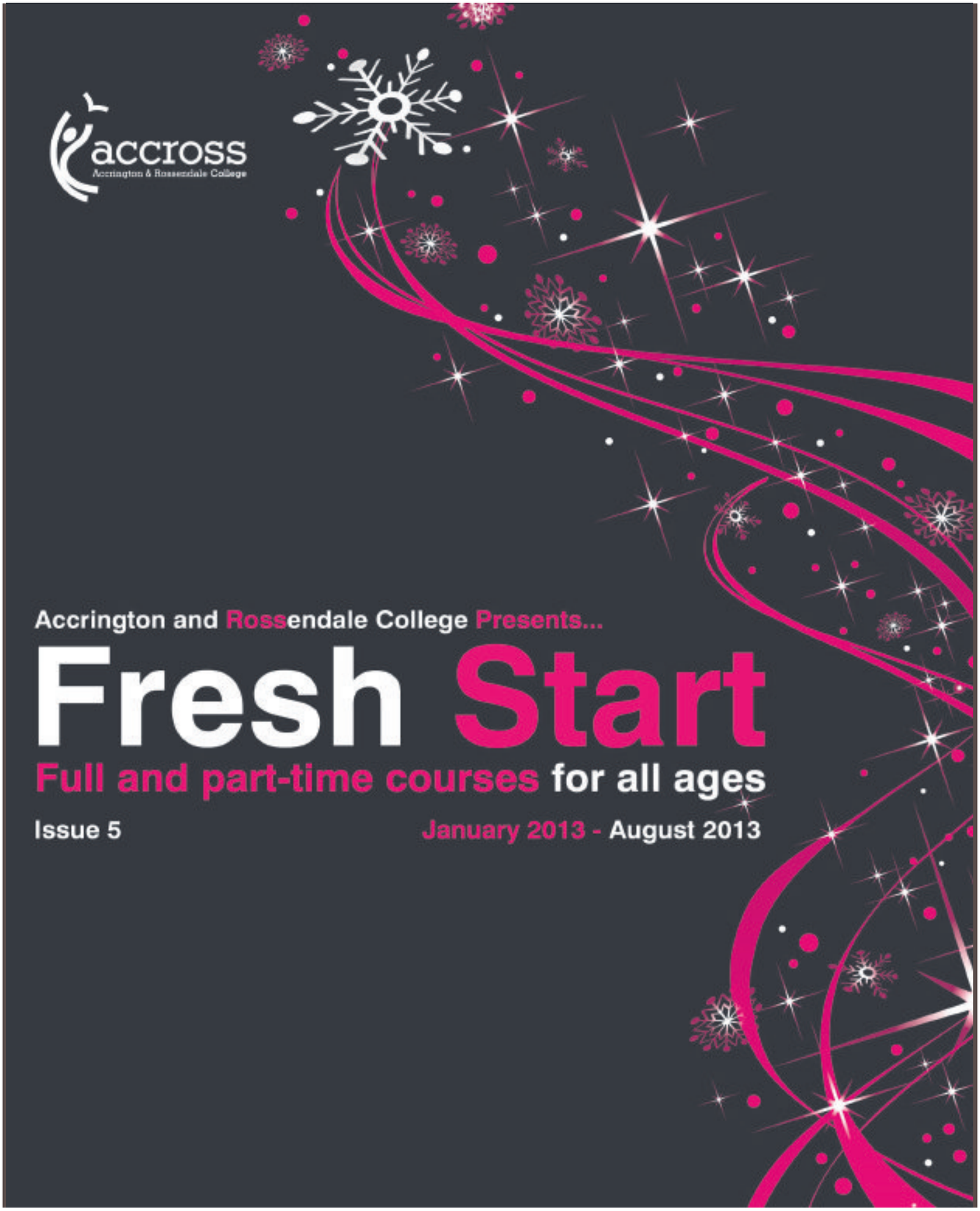
When the planning application was submitted, a spokesman for the marina said: "The activity at the marina is steadily increasing, particularly now that there is a repair dock and additional moorings.

"Notably, the number of people using the café is also increasing, and it is evident that many are people out walking, rather than having any particular connection with the marina.

"The provision of additional moorings has, in turn, given rise to a need for alternative accommodation in the form of self-catering lodges, which will be available for use by people coming to meet up with friends and family who are boating, as well as by others who identify this as a holiday destination."

Richard Clegg, from the planning inspectorate, said: "I consider the main issue in this appeal is the effect of the proposed development on the character and appearance of the area. The 10 lodges would be positioned on the opposite side of the service road from the moorings, with the marina building at their northern end. On this side of the canal, the land rises towards the B6383, and the proposed development would take place lower down, with the lodges set into the slope.

"I have found that the proposed development would not be damaging to the character and appearance of the area."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Lynda Mason
Principal

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CC	Coppice Centre, Broad Oak Campus
EP	Employer Premises
GC	The Globe Centre, Accrington
HC	Hameldon Centre, Broad Oak Campus
RHS	Rhyddings High School, Accrington
SHS	Staghills Nursery, Rossendale
SSR	School of Sound Recording, Manchester
WS	Waterside Centre, Accrington
SL	Stubbylee, Bacup
TS	Training Services, Accrington
HH	Hyndburn Homes, Accrington
IHA	Inward House Association, Accrington
MR	Maundy Relief, Accrington

Code:	
EVG	Evening
FCR	Full Cost Recovery
SPT	Substantial part-time course
F/T	**Full-time courses**
P/T	Part-time course
PTDR	Part-time, day release course
SFT	Short full-time course
TBA	To be arranged
MOA	Mode of attendance
POA	Price on application
PW	Per week

Code:	Award:
GCSE	General Certificate of Secondary Education
NVQ	National Vocational Qualification
PGCE	Post-Graduate Certificate in Education

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Higher Education

Please note, fees listed are as a guide only and depending on your personal circumstances you may be eligible for fee remission.

Course Ref	Course Title	Level	Venue	MOA	Day	Start Date	End Date	Start Time	End Time	Fee
Teaching and Education										
129165-1	Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector Award	4	BOC	P/T	Mon	21/01/13	29/04/13	13:00	16:00	£275.00
129169-1	Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector Award	4	BOC	EVG	Mon	21/01/13	29/04/13	18:00	21:00	£275.00
131862-1	Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector Award (E-PTLLS)	4	BOC	P/T		14/01/13	29/04/13	NA	NA	£275.00
Access to Higher Education										
132224-1	Access to Higher Education Summer School	1	BOC	P/T		03/06/13	05/07/13	NA	NA	£110.00
132610-1	Access to HE - Counselling Skills Award	2	BOC	P/T	Fri	18/01/13	08/03/13	13:00	16:00	£125.00
132769-1	Criminology	2	BOC	P/T	Tue	23/01/13	05/06/13	NA	NA	£120.00
Continuous Professional Development (CPD)										
131526-1	Care Assessment & Planning (in Substance Misuse)		BOC	FCR	Wed	23/01/13	22/05/13	14:00	17:00	£400.00
132608-1	Safeguarding Children		BOC	FCR	Mon	25/02/13	20/05/13	18:00	21:00	£300.00
-	Support Work in Schools Award	2	BOC	P/T	Mon	14/01/13	25/03/13	09:30	12:30	£550.00
132410-1	Equality & Diversity *	3	BOC	P/T		24/01/13	07/02/13	10:00	16:30	£100.00
132414-1	Preparing for the Mentoring Role *	3	BOC	P/T	Tue	26/02/13	12/03/13	10:00	16:30	£50.00
132401-1	Preparing for the Coaching Role *	3	BOC	P/T	Tue	23/04/13	07/05/13	10:00	16:30	£50.00
132402-1	Internally Assure the Quality of Assessment *	4	BOC	P/T	Fri	18/01/13	01/02/12	10:00	16:30	£60.00
132403-1	Understanding & Managing Behaviours in a Learning Environment	4	BOC	P/T	Tue	08/01/13	22/01/13	09:30	13:30	£90.00

• Only required for two days at College to complete the course.

Digital Technologies and Business

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Accounting										
131217-1	Accounting Technicians Certificate - AAT	2	BOC	P/T	Thu	03/01/13	29/06/13	NA	NA	£799.00
131231-1	Bookkeeping Certificate	2	BOC	P/T	Thu	24/01/13	29/06/13	NA	NA	£199.00
Media and Design										
131176-1	Animation Certificate	2	CC	P/T	Fri	26/01/13	22/06/13	NA	NA	£149.00
132006-1	Creative Media Certificate BTEC (EDEXCEL)	2	CC	F/T		18/02/13	25/06/13	NA	NA	£495.00
132007-1	Creative Media Certificate - Games Design BTEC (EDEXCEL)	2	CC	F/T		18/02/13	25/06/13	NA	NA	£495.00
132008-1	Graphic Design Award	1	CC	P/T		28/01/13	20/05/13	NA	NA	£99.00
132011-1	Moving Image Production Certificate	2	CC	P/T		30/01/13	22/05/13	NA	NA	£149.00
132012-1	Photography Certificate	1	CC	P/T	Mon	21/01/13	13/05/13	NA	NA	£99.00
131826-1	Photography Certificate	2	CC	P/T	Tue	22/01/13	14/05/13	NA	NA	£149.00

Science, Childcare and Access to FE

Course Ref	Course Title	Level	Venue	MOA	Day	Start Date	End Date	Start Time	End Time	Fee
Health, Social and Childcare										
131984-1	Health & Social Care in Childrens & Young Peoples Settings Award	1	BOC	P/T	Thu	17/01/13	27/06/13	NA	NA	£231.00
132546-1	Support Work in Schools Award	2	CAB	P/T	Tue	15/01/13	26/03/13	09:30	12:30	£550.00
132596-1	Supporting Teaching & Learning in Schools Certificate	2	BOC	P/T	Mon	14/01/13	25/11/13	09:30	12:30	£550.00
Foundation Learning										
131223-1	Foundation Learning - Vocational Studies Certificate	Entry 3	BOC	F/T		02/01/13	28/06/13	NA	NA	£540.00
131958-1	Foundation Learning Community - Certificate in Community Volunteering	1	WCA	P/T	Fri	11/01/13	05/04/13	NA	NA	£26.00
131220-1	Foundation Learning Community - Passport to Housing		HH	P/T	Fri	01/02/13	15/03/13	NA	NA	£0.00
131218-1	Foundation Learning Community - Passport to Housing	X	IHA	P/T	Wed	30/01/13	13/03/13	NA	NA	£0.00
131219-1	Foundation Learning Community - Passport to Housing	X	MR	P/T	Thu	31/01/13	14/03/13	NA	NA	£0.00

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Arts and Leisure Industries

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Sport and Fitness										
131305-1	Instructing Circuit Session Award	2	BOC	P/T	Sat	23/03/13	30/03/13	09:00	15:00	£50.00
131436-1	Fitness Instructing Certificate - (Gym or Exercise to Music) Intense	2	BOC	P/T	Thu	10/01/13	18/04/13	09:00	16:00	£100.00
131437-1	Fitness Instructing Certificate - (Gym or Exercise to Music)	2	BOC	EVG	Fri	25/01/13	03/05/13	09:00	16:00	£100.00
131439-1	Exercise Studies Award Intense	1	BOC	EVG	Thu	07/02/13	18/04/13	18:00	21:00	FREE
131440-1	Sports Leadership Award	1	BOC	P/T	Sat	23/02/13	02/03/13	09:00	15:00	£16.00
131548-1	Active IQ Certificate in Sports Massage Therapy	3	BOC	EVG	Thu	07/02/13	20/06/13	18:00	21:00	£150.00
131993-1	Studio Cycling Instructing Award	2	BOC	P/T	Sat	16/02/13	23/02/13	09:00	15:00	£50.00
131995-1	Kettlebells Certificate	2	BOC	P/T	Sat	09/03/13	16/03/13	09:00	15:00	£75.00
132041-1	Studio Cycling Instructing Award 19+	2	BOC	P/T	Sat	16/02/13	23/02/13	09:00	15:00	£50.00
132267-1	Emergency Aid for Sport Award	2	BOC	EVG	Thu	07/02/13	14/02/13	18:00	21:00	£50.00
132265-1	Taping & Strapping for Sport & Active Leisure Award	2	BOC	EVG	Thu	21/02/13	28/02/13	18:00	21:00	£50.00
132266-1	Applying Hot & Cold Techniques in Sport & Active Leisure Award	2	BOC	EVG	Thu	07/03/13	14/03/13	18:00	21:00	£50.00
-	Personal Training	3	BOC	F/T	Mon-Fri	02/04/13	12/04/13	09:00	16:00	£200.00
-	Personal Training	3	BOC	EVG	Tue	05/03/13	25/06/13	18:00	21:00	£200.00
-	Fitness Instructing Certificate - (Gym or Exercise to Music) Intense	2	BOC	F/T	Mon-Fri	02/04/13	12/04/13	09:00	16:00	£100.00
-	Fitness Instructing Certificate - (Gym or Exercise to Music) Intense	2	BOC	EVG	Thu	07/03/13	27/06/13	18:00	21:00	£100.00
Travel and Tourism										
131988-1	Resort Representatives Award	2	BOC	P/T	Mon	25/02/13	29/03/13	NA	NA	£50.00
131989-1	Air Cabin Crew Certificate	2	BOC	P/T	Mon	25/02/13	29/06/13	NA	NA	£75.00
Adventure Sports and Uniformed Public Services										
132270-1	Military Academy - Public Service Diploma	2	BOC	F/T		25/03/13	05/07/13	NA	NA	£495.00
-	Award in Assisting Basic Expedition Leadership	2	Various	P/T	Sat/Sun	13/04/13	14/04/13	09:00	16:00	£100.00
-	Award in Assisting Basic Expedition Leadership	2	Various	P/T	Sat/Sun	20/04/13	21/04/13	09:00	16:00	£100.00

Award in Assisting Basic Expedition Leadership fees will be FREE for 16-18 or in receipt of benefits. All others will be £100.

Information Technology										
131964-1	Computer and Online Basics Award	3	BOC	P/T	Thu	10/01/13	31/01/13	13:00	16:00	£39.00
130528-1	iTQ OCR	1	BOC	P/T	Wed	30/01/13	26/06/13	09:00	12:00	£189.00
131629-1	iTQ OCR	1	BAC	P/T	Wed	09/01/13	26/06/13	Various	Times	£189.00
131634-1	iTQ OCR	1	SHS	P/T	Thu	10/01/13	27/06/13	09:00	12:00	£189.00
130539-1	iTQ BCS	1	BOC	P/T	Wed	30/01/13	26/06/13	09:00	12:00	£189.00
131631-1	iTQ BCS	1	BAC	P/T	Wed	09/01/13	26/06/13	Various	Times	£189.00
131632-1	iTQ BCS	1	SHS	P/T	Thu	10/01/13	27/06/13	09:00	12:00	£189.00
130541-1	iTQ BCS	2	BOC	P/T	Tue	08/01/13	25/06/13	Various	Times	£189.00
131635-1	iTQ BCS	2	BAC	P/T	Wed	09/01/13	26/06/13	Various	Times	£189.00
131636-1	iTQ BCS	2	SHS	P/T	Thu	10/01/13	27/06/13	09:00	12:00	£189.00
132380-1	Database Software	3	BAC	P/T	Mon	21/01/13	20/05/13	18:00	21:00	£189.00

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Please note, fees listed are as a guide only and depending on your personal circumstances you may be eligible for fee remission

Course Ref	Course Title	Level	Venue	MOA	Day	Start Date	End Date	Start Time	End Time	Fee
Brickwork										
129835-1	Brickwork - Ascentis (Evening Course)	E	HC	P/T	Thu	17/01/13	27/06/13	17:30	21:00	£205.00
131181-1	Intro to a Career in Brickwork	E	HC	P/T	Tue	15/01/13	26/03/13	09:00	16:00	£185.00
131209-1	Intro to a Career in Brickwork	E	HC	P/T	Tue	16/04/13	25/06/13	09:00	16:00	£185.00
General Construction Operations										
132315-1	Intro to General Construction Operations	E	HC	P/T	Fri	01/03/13	21/06/13	09:00	16:00	£205.00
132316-1	Preperation for a Career in General Construction Operations	E	SL	P/T	Mon/Tue	22/04/13	25/06/13	09:00	16:00	£588.00
132492-1	Preperation for a Career in General Construction Operations	E	SL	P/T	Mon/Tue	21/01/13	26/03/13	09:00	16:00	£588.00
Electrical Engineering										
132274-1	Electrical Engineering Diploma BTEC	3	HC	F/T	Mon/Tue	05/02/13	30/06/14	09:00	17:00	£495.00
Floorcovering										
131568-1	Floor Covering - Ascentis (Evening Course)	E	HC	P/T	Wed	30/01/13	26/06/13	18:00	21:00	£205.00
131225-1	Intro to a Career in Floor Covering	E	HC	P/T	Wed/Thu	16/01/13	14/03/13	09:00	16:00	£187.50
Painting and Decorating										
131565-1	Painting & Decorating - Ascentis (Evening Course)	E	HC	P/T	Mon	28/01/13	24/06/13	17:30	21:00	£205.00
131183-1	Intro to a Career in Painting & Decorating	E	HC	P/T	Fri	18/01/13	15/03/13	10:00	16:00	£185.00
132034-1	Hand Painted Finishes	E	HC	P/T	Mon	21/01/13	25/03/13	17:30	21:00	£90.00
132765-1	Hand Painted Finishes	E	HC	P/T	Mon	22/04/13	01/06/13	17:30	21:00	£90.00
Plastering										
128503-1	Plastering - Ascentis (Evening Course)	E	HC	P/T	Mon	28/01/13	03/06/13	17:30	21:00	£205.00
131184-1	Intro to a Career in Plastering	E	HC	P/T	Fri	04/02/13	22/04/13	09:00	17:00	£185.00
Plumbing										
131182-1	Intro to a Career in Plumbing	E	HC	P/T	Wed	09/01/13	27/03/13	09:00	16:00	£180.00
132185-1	Intro to a Career in Plumbing	E	HC	P/T	Wed	17/04/13	26/06/13	09:00	16:00	£180.00
Carpentry and Joinery										
131566-1	Wood Occupations - Ascentis (Evening Course)	E	HC	P/T	Wed	09/01/13	26/06/13	17:30	21:00	£205.00
131185-1	Intro to a Career in Carpentry & Joinery	E	HC	P/T	Thu/Fri	17/01/13	29/03/13	13:30/10:00*	16:00/14:30*	£185.00
131373-1	Intro to a Career in Carpentry & Joinery	E	HC	P/T	Thu/Fri	18/04/13	28/06/13	13:30/10:00*	16:00/14:30*	£185.00
	* Times for Friday									
Motor Engineering										
130825-1	Auto Electrical & Diagnostics	1	HC	FCR	Wed	06/02/13	29/05/13	19:00	21:00	£105.00
126248-1	Kits & Classics / Car Restoration	1	HC	FCR	Wed	09/01/13	19/03/13	19:00	21:00	£105.00
129030-1	Kits & Classics / Car Restoration	1	HC	FCR	Wed	17/04/13	26/06/13	19:00	21:00	£105.00
132603-1	Light Vehicle Maintenance	3	HC	F/T	Mon	01/09/13	30/06/13	09:00	16:00	£250.00
131227-1	Vehicle Technology Award	E	HC	P/T	Wed	09/01/13	29/06/13	09:00	16:00	£546.50
130449-1	Motor Cycle Maintenance & Repair	1	SL	FCR	Wed	16/01/13	20/03/13	19:00	21:00	£105.00
130447-1	Motor Cycle Maintenance & Repair	1	SL	FCR	Wed	17/04/13	26/06/13	19:00	21:00	£105.00
132503-1	Motor Cycle Engineering IMI Award	1	SL	P/T	Thu	10/01/13	10/05/13	09:00	17:00	£495.00
132604-1	Motor Cycle Maintenance (KTM)	1	SL	FCR	Thu	10/01/13	31/01/13	18:00	21:00	£100.00

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ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)
2013 Start

Day	Level	Start date	End date	Time	Course code	Venue	Cost
Monday and Wednesday	Entry 1&2 Introductory	11/02/13	03/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	129073-1	BOC	£234
Monday and Wednesday	Entry 1&2 Introductory	11/02/13	03/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	131075-1	BOC	£234
Monday and Wednesday	Entry 1&2 Introductory	11/02/13	03/07/13	18:00 - 21:00	131205-1	BOC	£234
Tuesday and Thursday	Entry 1&2 Introductory	12/02/13	04/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	131628-1	BOC	£234
Tuesday and Thursday	Entry 1&2 Introductory	12/02/13	04/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	132028-1	BOC	£234

Maths (Adults)
2013 Start

Day	Start date	End date	Time	Course code	Venue	Cost
Monday	11/02/13	01/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132349-1	BOC	Free
Monday	11/02/13	01/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132351-1	BSS	Free
Monday	11/02/13	01/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	132353-1	BSS	Free
Monday	11/02/13	01/07/13	18:00 - 21:00	132354-1	BOC	Free
Tuesday	12/02/13	02/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132356-1	BOC	Free
Tuesday	12/02/13	02/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	132358-1	BOC	Free
Tuesday	12/02/13	02/07/13	18:00 - 21:00	132360-1	BOC	Free
Wednesday	13/02/13	03/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132362-1	BOC	Free
Wednesday	09/01/13	23/05/13	10:00 - 12:00	132374-1	GC	Free
Thursday	14/02/13	04/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132364-1	BOC	Free
Thursday	14/02/13	04/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	132366-1	BOC	Free
Friday	01/03/13	28/06/13	13:00 - 16:00	132368-1	BOC	Free

English (Adults)
2013 Start

Day	Start date	End date	Time	Course code	Venue	Cost
Monday	11/02/13	01/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132328-1	BOC	Free
Monday	11/02/13	01/0713	13:00 - 16:00	132330-1	BOC	Free
Monday	11/02/13	01/0713	18:00 - 21:00	132331-1	BOC	Free
Tuesday	12/02/13	02/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132333-1	BSS	Free
Tuesday	12/02/13	02/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	132335-1	BSS	Free
Wednesday	13/02/13	03/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132337-1	BOC	Free
Wednesday	13/02/13	03/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	132339-1	BOC	Free
Wednesday	13/02/13	03/07/13	18:00 - 21:00	132341-1	BOC	Free
Wednesday	09/01/13	22/05/13	13:00 - 15:00	132372-1	GC	Free
Thursday	14/02/13	04/07/13	09:30 - 12:30	132343-1	BSS	Free
Thursday	14/02/13	04/07/13	13:00 - 16:00	132345-1	BOC	Free
Friday	01/03/13	28/06/13	13:00 - 16:00	132347-1	BOC	Free

Creative and Service Industries

Please note, fees listed are as a guide only and depending on your personal circumstances you may be eligible for fee remission

Course Ref	Course Title	Level	Venue	MOA	Day	Start Date	End Date	Start Time	End Time	Fee
Hair, Beauty and Complementary Therapies										
131188-1	Nail Technology Certificate	2	CC	P/T	Mon	14/01/13	24/06/13	NA	NA	£347.50
131189-1	Certificate in Barbering	2	CC	P/T	Tue	15/01/13	28/06/13	18:00	21:00	£310.00
132407-1	Manicure Certificate	2	CC	P/T		14/01/13	10/06/13	NA	NA	£205.00
132532-1	Nail Technology Award	2	CC	EVG	Mon	28/01/13	24/06/13	18:00	21:00	£250.00
132119-1	Stones Therapy Award	3	CC	P/T	Tue	05/03/13	25/06/13	NA	NA	£275.00
Hospitality and Catering										
131046-1	Junior Chefs Academy		GC	P/T	Fri	01/02/13	29/03/13	16:15	18:15	£8.00
131048-1	Senior Chefs Academy		GC	P/T	Fri	19/04/13	14/06/13	16:15	18:15	£8.00
TBC	Breadmaking for Beginners	-	GC	P/T	Mon	14/01/13	04/02/13	18:00	21:00	£80.00
TBC	30 Minute Gourmet Meals	-	GC	P/T	Mon	21/02/13	18/03/13	18:00	21:00	£80.00
TBC	Curry Club	-	GC	P/T	Mon	15/04/13	13/05/13	18:00	21:00	£80.00
TBC	Taste of the Sea	-	GC	P/T	Mon	03/06/13	24/06/13	18:00	21:00	£80.00

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Intro to Counselling - Burnley
Every Thursday starting: 10.01.13 - 28.02.13 - 9.30am-1.30pm

Youth Work Level 2 Award - Accrington
Every Thursday starting: 07.02.13 - 25.04.13 - 9.30am-12.30pm

Intro to Psychology - Burnley
Every Tuesday starting: 08.01.13 - 19.02.13 - 9.30am-12.30pm

Community Volunteering - Bacup Greenhouses
Every Monday starting: 25.03.13 - 13.05.13 - 12.30am-16.30pm

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How to enrol

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Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm at the Broad Oak Centre, Broad Oak Road, Accrington, Lancashire, BB5 2AW .

By Post or Online

If you know the details of the course you require, contact our 24-hour service to request a postal enrolment form.

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Please use the following checklist and have the information ready:

- Your name
- Date of birth
- Address and post code
- Telephone number (in case of any queries)
- The course code
- Course title, day and time
- If you are claiming benefits, which benefit

By Telephone

If you wish to pay your fees by credit or debit card, enrolments can be processed over the phone. Please ring (01254) 354039 during normal office hours.

Please note all credit/debit card enrolments must be confirmed by signing and returning the learner agreement form within two weeks of the telephone enrolment. Any enrolments that are not confirmed will be withdrawn from the course.

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Check on blue badge expiry date

An East Lancashire MP has urged all blue badge holders to check expiry dates after it emerged reminders are not sent out by the county council.

Fines of £35 are imposed on offending motorists, and Pendle's Andrew Stephenson believes no notification was made of the change.

MR STEPHENSON

He said: "I was disappointed to learn that Lancashire County Council has decided to act this way.

"Their policy has caught out at least one constituent of mine already, and I bet others will forget to renew if they are waiting on a reminder notice they don't know isn't coming."

Tributes to retiring finance boss

Tributes have been paid to Burnley Council's finance head on his retirement after a 33-year career with the authority.

Nick Aves joined the council in 1979, as a senior accountant and became finance director in 2000. This role was retitled 'head of resources' in 2005.

Mr Aves' abilities have received cross-party praise.

Council leader Coun Julie Cooper said she appreciated his 'patience and sense of humour' while explaining complex financial matters.

Coun Margaret Lisham, a former finance cabinet member, said he was a 'man of enormous integrity'.

And Conservative leader Coun Ida Carmichael said he would be 'sadly missed'.

Prince's Trust seeks recruits

A fresh batch of volunteers are being sought for a 2013 Prince's Trust programme taking place in Burnley.

Young people from all backgrounds are wanted for the extended course, which begins on January 14. Three out of four people involved in Prince's Trust work go on to secure training, educational opportunities, or employment, say organisers.

The charity helps train youngsters to play a positive role in society and gives them training to take up a future career, or volunteer work for charity or youth organisations.

Jeni Keller can be contacted, for more information, on 01282 435907.

AWARD: Nelson Town Hall workers with Coun Cooney (front left), HR manager Lesley Ritchie, and chief executive Stephen Barnes

Council celebrates striking gold

Pendle Council has been awarded the Investors in People gold award.

Council chiefs said the award represented the achievement of world-class best practice, only given to organisations operating at the very highest levels of people management.

Coun Joe Cooney, leader of Pendle Council, said: "This is great news for local residents who can be assured that their council is investing in its staff to run local services that best meet the needs of Pendle's communities."

The council was given the silver award earlier this year.

Only 14 points away from striking 'gold', the authority invited the assessor back in early December to view how it was meeting the criteria.

Just three per cent of organisations that are awarded IIP status reach the gold standard.

Protesters win fight to block new homes

By **CHRIS GEE**

Campaigners have hailed a unanimous decision by councillors to reject plans to build more than 200 homes on a gateway site in Colne.

Pressure group Get Knotted put forward arguments to Pendle Council's development management committee against proposals by Persimmon Homes for 203 new properties on a green corridor off Knotts Lane.

Speakers opposed to the plans detailed multiple objections regarding traffic, drainage, and wildlife concerns, at the meeting, at Nelson Town Hall, attended by around 20 objectors.

Persimmon are the owners of the greenfield site in question.

'LOCAL DEMOCRACY': Azhar Ali

Their proposals were for 120 four-bedroom houses, alongside 67 three-bedroom and 16 two-bedroom properties.

The land is bounded by the railway line to the north, and existing housing on the east.

The campaigners are now anticipating a possible appeal by Persimmon to the Secretary of State responsible for communities.

Spokesman for Get Knotted Azhar Ali said the decision was a 'victory for common sense and local democracy'.

He added: "There was a reasoned, sensible debate in which all parties were respectful.

"Many councillors told me how impressed they were by our organisation, and knowledge.

"It was a fine example of community groups coming together.

"Pendle already has 1,770 empty homes, so we fail to see the need for these new houses. There may be an appeal, but we are ready for that and will fight these proposals all the way," he added.

Another Get Knotted supporter, Eleanor Butler said: "I know it has been hard work for all concerned, and the successful vote was well earned.

"No other lobby group could have put together a better case.

"Let's hope that the next stage will also be as successful."

A spokesman for Pendle Council said the reasons for refusing the development were poor design, that development would remove the land of biological value, and failure to demonstrate the site would not be at risk of flooding.

Blooming great in export industry

An East Lancashire online florist has been named as an Export Champion by UK Trade and Investment (UKTI).

Padiham-based iflorist has been chosen alongside four other Lancashire companies due to its successful international trade track record.

The company has grown its international business in excess of 200per cent in the last year alone, and now has websites in 10 languages, and six currencies, with international sales accounting for 40per cent of its annual turnover.

As one of UKTI's Export Champions, iflorist will support and encourage North West companies to export in an economy where the international market is integral to its growth.

Managing director David Price said: "We feel privileged to be nominated as an export champion. It's a great opportunity to share our knowledge and experience of the export industry, and encourage and support other North West companies to take the leap."

It comes after the firm won the Queen's Award for Enterprise and the Export Award at the Lancashire Telegraph Business Awards 2012, organised by our sister newspaper.

Safer sleep for babies campaign

A step-by-step guide to keeping babies safe while they sleep has been launched.

The Lancashire-wide campaign 'Safer Sleep for Baby' offers six simple steps that parents can take to reduce the risks of their child dying in his, or her, sleep.

Campaigners are appealing for parents to take extra care, and stressing that they must not fall asleep with babies after drinking, or taking, medication.

Burnley Coroner's Officer Bob Wilson, who is also the chairman of the Safer Sleep group, said: "Some thought has to be given to where babies are sleeping.

"It can be tempting to take the child into your bed, but they are safest in their own cot, crib or moses basket."

The six key points of the message are:

■ Keep the baby away from smoke, before and after birth

COT: A baby sleeps soundly

■ Put the baby in a cot, crib, or moses basket to sleep – never fall asleep with them on a sofa, or chair

■ Never fall asleep with the baby after drinking, or taking drugs/medication

■ Put the baby to sleep on their back, with their feet to the foot of the cot

■ Keep the baby's head and face uncovered, and make sure they don't get too hot.

■ Breastfeed your baby. Support is available if you need it

Nigel Burke, chairman of the Lancashire Safeguarding Children Board, which is involved in the campaign, said: "Almost 300 babies a year never reach their first birthday because they die in their sleep, and the heartbreak involved is unimaginable.

"Our new campaign offers six straightforward steps to help babies sleep more safely.

"We're asking parents to think carefully about their baby's sleeping arrangements and to make simple adjustments, if necessary.

"It's mostly common sense, which parents usually have in good supply! But if a quick reminder helps save just one baby, the campaign will have been worth it."

Recycle your tree

BurnleyCouncil is offering a free collection, and recycling, service for real Christmas trees.

To have a tree collected, call 01282 425011 before January 9.

Trees will be collected the week beginning January 14.

CitizenPuzzles

Wordsearch: Something fishy

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IT HAS hardly stopped raining in the last six months, it seems, so here is an appropriate wordsearch puzzle – the grid above hides the names of 38 types of fish. Can you find them all in 15 minutes? Next week, if the weather stays the same, expect ducks...

ANCHOVY, BARRACUDA, BASS, BREAM, CARP, CATFISH, CHUB, DOGFISH, FLOUNDER, GOLDFISH, GROUPER, GUPPY, HAKE, HALIBUT, HERRING, JELLYFISH, KRILL, LAMPREY, MARLIN, MINNOW, MULLET, PERCH, PIKE, PIRANHA, ROACH, SALMON, SARDINE, SEAHORSE, SHARK, SNAPPER, SOLE, STICKLEBACK, STINGRAY, STURGEON, SWORDFISH, TROUT, TUNA, TUNNY

Sudoku Number 535

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Place a number from 1 to 9 in each empty cell so that each 3x3 block, column and full row includes each of the numbers from 1 to 9 only once.

Sudoku 532

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Sudoku 533

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Sudoku 534

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6	7	9	3	8	2	5	4	1
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Don't miss a full page of puzzles in the Lancashire Telegraph every Saturday

Test your telly knowledge?

So you think you know your TV programmes? See how you fare with our tough teasers.

1. The irreverant Irish family comedy Mrs Brown's Boys, which has become one of the biggest cult hits of 2012 starts its third and allegedly final season on BBC next week. Who is the both the creator and star of the show (right)?

2. Who plays feisty Kylie Platt on the ITV1 soap Coronation Street, whose marital troubles are set to worsen after she cheats on her husband David.

ANSWERS: 1. Brendan O'Carroll; 2.: Paula Lane; 3. Len Goodman & Bruno Tonioli.

3. Which judges from the BBC's Strictly Come Dancing, which finished its 2012 run at Christmas, also judge in the US version ?

4-letter words

The world of showbiz is in focus again this week, with the name of the fictional Hollywood 'hero'

JACK REACHER

in the frame. Tom Cruise plays the novel character created by former Lakes resident and author Lee Child in the new blockbuster released last week. How many four-letter words can you make from his name. Each letter may be used once only in each word – NOT admissible are abbreviations; prefixes; proper names; poetic short forms; plurals and verb forms ending in 's', slang or words to make granny blush. The target is 25 words.

Horoscopes with Claire Petulengro

Aries — March 21st-April 20th

I'm so happy to see the work prospects looking so opportune. Mars, the planet of change and unpredictability, allows you to boost your funds and your status today, so make sure you take full advantage. A jealous friend will be giving you bad advice. Know your own mind. Give me a call now to hear how confidence in love can work miracles over the coming days.

Call: 0906 585 4516

Taurus — April 21st-May 21st

Mixed messages and riddles are what this week is all about in love. Unclear signals make for a difficult start to your week, but honest talking on Thursday can ensure you come out in full control. Look out for an ex trying to talk you back round to their way of thinking. Know your own mind my friend. Call me now to hear how the New Year promises compatible love choices.

Call: 0906 585 4517

Gemini — May 22nd-June 21st

What you do as a job is beginning to mean far more to you than it has previously, and I think that's because you're starting to see that you can actually make a good living if you make the right moves and contacts, the most important one being an influence who enters your life via social links at some point this week. Give me a call now to hear why it's important you dress well at this time.

Call: 0906 585 4518

Cancer — June 22nd-July 23rd

Your emotions have been working overtime and it's going to be all too easy for you to accuse your close ones of doing things they hadn't even thought about. Careful how far you go or they may just decide to play the role you've cast them in. A younger influence helps you to see things from a more realistic viewpoint. Call now to hear how house moves are favoured for the New Year.

Call: 0906 585 4519

Leo — July 24th-August 23rd

Someone you've fallen out with has now managed to upset your mood for the week. How can you rectify this? By sorting things out with them and not through a third party, as has so far been the case. Venus promises to stir your emotions but be careful of calling up people from the past if you know in your heart they're not good for you. Phone now for the low-down on 2013.

Call: 0906 585 4520

Virgo — August 24th-September 23rd

Family prove more demanding than usual and you may spend much of your week running around trying to make their life an easier place to be. Just make sure you're not being used, but that you're being appreciated. Even just a thank you can be found if they try. Cancerians hold the key to the job changes which will be on your mind. Ring now to hear who your perfect love match is.

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Libra — September 24th-October 23rd

Emotions have been running high and you have been living in the past but I'm pleased to see from your chart that you're finally starting to look at what a good future you have the chance to make. That's why you must say no when you get the chance to return to the past. You've been there and it didn't work. Acknowledge this fact. Phone now to make your life more suited to your needs.

Call: 0906 585 4522

Scorpio — October 24th-November 22nd

Finally your family seems to be coming together as you had originally planned. No more do you have to fight for what you want but the stars align to help you feel secure in who you are, who's around you and where you're going as a team. Gossip heard this weekend must not be repeated or you could be accused of starting it. Phone now so we can delve into your future together.

Call: 0906 585 4523

Sagittarius — November 23rd-December 21st

Something you thought would not happen gets the go ahead. Better moods and attitudes from your family mean that there are fewer arguments and more time for fun. Travel offered by friends may well turn out to be more expensive than they say, so check facts and figures for yourself, particularly if deposits are non-refundable. Call now to look deeper into your future.

Call: 0906 585 4524

Capricorn — December 22nd-January 20th

Better ways to handle older faces in your life come from conversations and possibly a confrontation which occurs this weekend. The way that your job is carried out is set to change and don't worry if new faces come in to take over positions of power, it's likely to be a temporary inconvenience as events by the end of this month will soon prove to you. Phone now to hear what the New Year will bring.

Call: 0906 585 4525

Aquarius — January 21st-February 19th

You haven't been happy with a situation in your life for some time now but due to circumstances beyond your control you haven't been able to do anything about it. You can now though, for with the power of Saturn behind you people are going to listen when you talk. Compromises can be found and new paths both personal and professional open up to you. Call now to hear all about it.

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Pisces — February 20th-March 20th

You're going to find it hard to keep hold of your cash this week as everything you see feels like a necessity. Social aspects look good but try to work out how much you can afford to spend before you venture out. You don't want to enter the New Year with a cash-flow problem. Love could see you telling white lies. Ask yourself if they're really necessary please. Ring now for clear vision.

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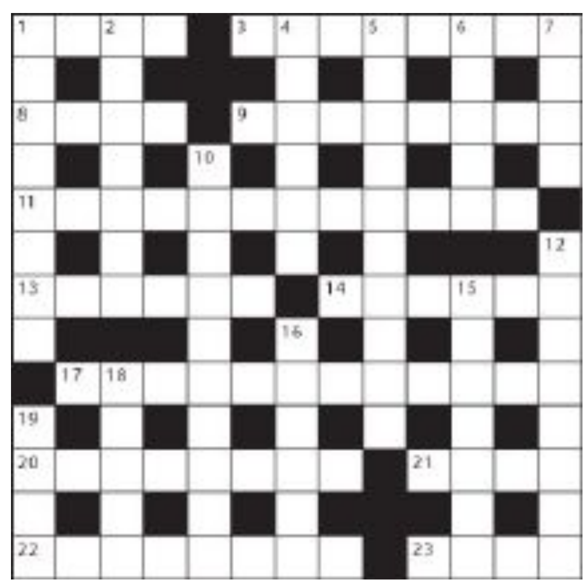
CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS

1. Conceal the leather (4)
3. Like the most superior large material (8)
8. Hurry to get a reed (4)
9. Fitting with extremely tiny possessions (8)
11. Their pay rows can be laudable (12)
13. Allow to do something to hair (6)
14. Obstruct when I am getting deep trouble (6)
17. Perhaps one can't pinch a large van (12)
20. Sports shoes for instructors (8)
21. Needlecase from the Tuileries? (4)
22. Bound to turn teeth a certain colour (8)
23. Margin in the middle of an accounts book (4)

DOWN

1. Dance in hopper possibly (8)
2. Give up hope when a man gets two ducks (7)
4. Drinking tubes that might be drawn (6)
5. I take people into ace scientific test (10)
6. Flashlight you might carry for someone (5)
7. Eye infection from the middle of last year (4)
10. Help an animal to adopt one posture (10)
12. Signified that I am English for the interim (8)
15. Went out without a cent when agitated (7)
16. New cars taken to church are in short supply (6)
18. A role that is separate (5)
19. Let it stand the test, perhaps (4)



QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

1. Platform (4)
3. Aseptic (4-4)
8. Invalid (4)
9. Necromancer (8)
11. Fixed (12)
13. Easily remembered (6)
14. Smirk (6)
17. Harmonisation (2-10)
20. Captive (8)
21. Fete (4)
22. Shyness (8)
23. Loan (4)

DOWN

1. Accuse (8)
2. Unlawful (7)
4. Sufficient (6)
5. Automatic (10)
6. Countryside (5)
7. Deserve (4)
10. Paternity (10)
12. Toper (8)
15. Confidential (7)
16. Straight (6)
18. Hatred (5)
19. Detect (4)

Solutions

CRYPTIC SOLUTIONS: ACROSS: 1 Hide; 3 Asbestos; 8 Rush; 9 Property; 11 Praiseworthy; 13 Permit; 14 Impede; 17 Pantechnicon; 20 Trainers; 21 Etui; 22 Tethered; 23 Edge. DOWN: 1 Hornpipe; 2 Despair; 4 Straws; 5 Experiment; 6 Torch; 7 Stye; 10 Assistance; 12 Meantime; 15 Excited; 16 Scarce; 18 Apart; 19 Stet.

SIMPLE SOLUTIONS: ACROSS: 1 Dais; 3 Germ-free; 8 Null; 9 Sorcerer; 11 Unchangeable; 13 Catchy; 14 Simper; 17 Co-ordination; 20 Prisoner; 21 Gala; 22 Timidity; 23 Lend. DOWN: 1 Denounce; 2 Illicit; 4 Enough; 5 Mechanical; 6 Rural; 7 Earn; 10 Fatherhood; 12 Drunkard; 15 Private; 16 Direct; 18 Odium; 19 Spot.

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Recession hits charities

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THE harsh years of recession have left many of Britain's charities in a desperate condition, with possibly one in six facing closure in the coming year amid public spending cutbacks and falling donations.

CAF research found that small and medium-sized charities face spiralling losses, with reported deficits of more than £300m in 2011, against an overall surplus of £325 million in 2007.

CAF has launched a Back Britain's Charities campaign with the National Council for Voluntary Organisations calling on the Government, businesses and people to back the nation's charitable organisations. CAF also wants the Government to modernise and promote Gift Aid and Payroll Giving so donations go further.

Try mini-makeovers for 2013

TAKE CARE: Look after your skin with a cleansing routine

Thirteen may be considered unlucky for some, but 2013 is the year to break that superstition. Lisa Haynes issues some fashion and beauty commandments for the New Year and beyond

Before you go making those life-changing resolutions, slow down and think 'mini makeover' instead.

More than three-quarters (78 per cent) of people who give up on their resolutions are doomed to fail because they try to make over-ambitious changes, according to research by the University of Hertfordshire.

But if you plan smaller, specific changes – to say, your closet or bathroom cabinet – you're likely to achieve a much higher success rate.

Undo the damage of a festive fashion and beauty hangover. Tick off these commandments for a stylish 2013.

THOU SHALT NOT... Be unkind to your skin

Give your skin back its sparkle for the New Year. Make a clean start by always ensuring that your head hits the pillow with a freshly-scrubbed face.

Celebrity facialist Nichola Joss says: "Cleansing the skin is super-important to clear away impurities such as dead skin cells and dirt from the day, which can dull the complexion – imagine the dull surface of a mirror and then the sparkle of one that's been polished.

"Use a deep cleansing product to remove debris from the skin, and massage in using fingertips in a circular motion. Spritz with a facial mist to re-balance your skin."

THOU SHALT NOT... Be a wallflower

Special occasions sometimes call for a statement dress that you can just throw on and go. Seek out a one-piece wonder for 2013; something that doesn't require lashings of accessories or fuss so you can be ready in record time.

Bobbie Malpass, editor of MyCelebrityFashion.co.uk, says: "Our fashion advice is don't start the New Year without a LRD – that's Little Red Dress. It's a stand-out colour and one that will get you noticed with minimum effort."

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IT'S A FACT
Ice cream became available to the general population in France in 1660

An interest in Bordeaux

A PRIZED bottle of Bordeaux, which used to be the bastion of a celebratory birthday dinner or special Sunday lunch, is more often than not out of our reach, and replaced with a similar grape variety from the New World. Here are some princely (not pricey) Bordeaux.

Chateau David Beaulieu, Bordeaux Superior AOC 2010 (£6.49, Sainsbury's) is a rich with plenty of blackcurrant fruit, gentle spice, firm tannins and a pleasing finish. Enjoy with French bread and hard cheeses.

Entre-Deux Mers, Chateau Le Coin 2010, Bordeaux (£9.99, laithwaites.co.uk) is modern, concentrated and rich, with aromatic plum and cassis on the full palate, it's a real foodie's wine.

Chateau Le Barrail 2010, Bordeaux (£7.99, Tesco) has a fragrant nose, robust fruit flavours of cassis and red berries with a firm, tannic grip, it's a good accompaniment to red meats.

Some welcome ice for a winter treat after dinner

IF you're having a party and want to serve something that little bit different, here's a simple recipe from Green & Black's that will appeal to anyone with a swet tooth.

It takes a bit of planning the night before but very little preparation time on the day.

The recipe uses panettone, but brioche or similar sweet breads are suitable alternatives.

ICE CREAM PUDDING

- 100g raisins
- 150g dark rum
- 400g panettone or brioche
- Two x 500ml tubs Green & Black's Organic Chocolate Ice Cream
- Single cream to serve (optional)

Method:
Soak the raisins in the rum overnight.

The following day, a few hours before you wish to serve it, assemble the pudding as follows:

Remove the ice cream from the freezer and allow to soften — but not completely melt – for around 30 minutes.

Drain the raisins, reserving the unabsorbed rum. Take a 3 pint/1.5 litre pudding basin and line with a couple of lengths of Clingfilm, ensuring there is plenty to fold over once the pudding is constructed.

Once sufficiently softened, empty the ice cream into a large bowl, add the drained raisins and mix thoroughly, trying to limit further melting.

Line the pudding basin with slices of panettone/brioche, making sure you reserve some for the lid. Cut slices to fill in the gaps.

Sprinkle the bread with the reserved rum, saving a bit for the lid.

Scoop the ice cream/ raisin mix into the lined basin, pressing down to ensure there are no gaps. Fashion a lid out of the remaining bread and sprinkle with rum.

Wrap the edges of the Clingfilm over the top of the bread lid. Place a suitably sized side plate over the top and press firmly but gently.

Put in the freezer for the ice cream to re-harden, for at least four hours.

When ready to serve, remove from the freezer, remove the plate and unwrap the edges of the Clingfilm to reveal the lid.

Place a plate on top and then invert. Pull off the basin and then peel off the Clingfilm.

Cut into wedges and serve with or without cream.

COOL DESERT: Ice cream pudding

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Comedy capers full of cheer

CLOWNING AROUND: One of the circus acts in Mother Goose at King George's Hall, Blackburn

THE great British pantomime, celebrated for its pouting peacockery and diva Dames, is riding a 'feel good' wave of success across the land.

For pantomime people, this is the busiest time of the year and Christmas panto, it seems, is booming in East Lancashire too.

Cinderella at the Thwaites Empire Theatre, Ewood, broke box office records before a single performance had been held, and it continues to pack in the crowds.

At King George's Hall, Blackburn, packed houses have marvelled at the thrilling circus panto, Mother Goose, starring comedian Phil Walker, son of Roy, and diva Ballerina Madame Galina..

And Clitheroe's Grand Theatre, saw 2,500 children smash the venue's pantomime box office record in five days, with the full house signs going up for the 10 shows of the much-loved classic Beauty and the Beast.

And just because the 'big day' has been and gone, it doesn't mean panto fun is over for another year.

Mother Goose had its final performance on Monday and Cinderella continues until next Saturday. At Bolton's Albert Halls, Stu Francis leads the cast in Snow White until next Sunday.

And two new productions of Jack And The Beanstalk will be opening in the area for those still in need of a fix, at Colne Muni and Clitheroe Grand.

So why is this old-school live entertainment proving so resilient?

Allan Paul, booking manager for M&M Theatrical Productions, which brings Jack And The Beanstalk to Clitheroe, said: "This is our biggest year yet. We are doing 38 pantomimes a day across the UK, and like the rest of Britain people are turning up in Lancashire to watch panto entertainment in large numbers.

"Times are really tough for many, but pantomime is pure escapism. A decade ago, when there were loads of jobs and a real sense of optimism, people wanted bleak northern dramas. What they want now is light and joy and laughter, and to be reminded what really matters to them.

"If what these families see is good, they will not only book for next year's pantomime, but also for the shows in between, and that way a panto becomes the breeding ground for the next generation of theatregoers."

George Critchley, who is producing Jack And The Beanstalk and stars in the production as Dame Dolly's sidekick son Silly Billy at Colne Muni from January 5 to 20, said: "I'm producing four pantos at 10 different venues, and we've had a lot of sold out shows, so thankfully they are doing very well.

"Pantomime is attracting Hollywood superstars to our stages, so that shows you how popular it is right now.

"People have come back to pantomime in recent years and we are seeing a real boom again."

WALK THIS WAY: The cast of Jack And The Beanstalk at Colne Muni

Still showing

- Cinderella, Thwaites Theatre, Ewood, until Saturday, January 5. box office 01254 685500.
- Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs, Albert Halls, Bolton, until Sunday, January 6. Box office 01204 334400
- Jack And The Beanstalk, Colne Muni, Saturday, January 5 to Sunday, January 20. Box office 01282 661234.
- Jack and the Beanstalk, Clitheroe Grand, Friday, January 4 and Saturday, January 5. Box office 01200 421599.

Citizen DVDs

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THE MAN INSIDE (15)

Clayton Murdoch (Ashley 'Bashy' Thomas) is haunted by memories of his sadistic old man, Eugene (David Harewood), who languishes in jail. The emotional scars are almost as deep as the physical ones, so to escape the gangland culture that almost claimed his soul, Clayton trains with gruff boxing coach Gordon Sinclair.

DARDENNES COLLECTION (15)

Directors Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne have twice won the prestigious Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival. This six-disc DVD brings together six of their acclaimed and gritty dramas.

Tom reaches out to Jack

Citizen Movies

JACK REACHER (12A)

Former military officer Jack Reacher (Tom Cruise) is a ghost in the system, even to the US government with all of its technology and resources.

He is lured out of hiding when a mentally unstable sniper, James Barr (Joseph Sikora), is arrested for the murder of five innocent people outside PNC Park in Pennsylvania.

Before Barr slips into a coma, he writes down three words – Get Jack Reacher.

ACTION: Tom Cruise, right

On cue, Jack makes contact with lead detective Emerson (David Oyelowo) and District Attorney Rodin (Richard Jenkins), convinced that the cops have caught their perpetrator.

However, Rodin's daughter, defence attorney Helen Rodin (Rosamund Pike), isn't convinced of Barr's guilt and she hires Jack to check the forensics.

As Jack follows a chain of evidence, he falls foul of criminal mastermind The Zec (Werner Herzog) and a sharp-shooting henchman (Jai Courtney), whose business interests may play some part in the unfolding mystery.

The art of looking after children

PARENTAL GUIDANCE (U)

Artie Decker (Billy Crystal) and his wife Diane (Midler) are childhood sweethearts, who have been married for more than 40 years. They are free from the responsibility of raising children. Artie is a baseball commentator for his local team. Diane keeps in shape by pole-dancing. Artie is sacked by the new owners. The couple's daughter asks Artie and Diane to babysit their grandchildren – Harper (Bailee Madison), Turner (Joshua Rush) and Barker (Kyle Harrison Breitkopf).

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New engines put fresh heart into brighter Fiesta

By MATT KIMBERLEY

Ford has been onto a winner with the Fiesta for decades. Its engineers always seem to conjure up the right combination of accessibility, user-friendliness, driving dynamics and, latterly, efficiency.

An update was due, though, and a series of new engines has been added to fresh family styling and some innovative new technologies to make sure that the Fiesta stays top of the supermini pile for a few more years.

The first and most obvious change is that the new Ford front end first seen on the Evos concept car has been grafted onto the familiar Fiesta body, with new headlights and, on the whole, a pointier face. Three vibrant new colours have already been announced, too: Copper Pulse, Hot Mustard and Candy Blue. The package is clearly tailored to a younger, more outgoing audience, but all the more reserved colours are there as well.

Its ratios are superb for nipping around town

But the biggest news is that there are now six different drivetrain options for the UK that fall under the 100g/km threshold, giving us consumers a remarkable level of choice of how to digest our road tax-free motoring.

Three sub-100g/km turbodiesels sharing similar architecture sit alongside two 1.0-litre turbocharged EcoBoost petrols, with a lower-powered non-turbocharged 1.0-litre three-cylinder petrol rounding off the six.

The latter, which produces an impressive 79bhp, is eventually due to replace the 1.25-litre 81bhp four-pot.

Something very new, however, is the level of technology the Fiesta can hold. B-segment cars aren't very familiar with comprehensive voice-activation for the stereo, including any connected MP3 players. Nor do many have automated emergency services contact systems that can accurately report the location of the car. The MyKey system is new as well, allowing parents to apply top speed and audio volume limits among other safety precautions.

Some are more useful than others.

Oddly, since most people's budgets are being heavily squeezed, Ford says that more people than ever are choosing the highest trim levels.

As a result there is a new, even higher grade over and above Titanium.

Titanium X is the range-topper elsewhere in Ford's range and now it comes to the Fiesta with partial leather upholstery and heated front seats. Keyless entry is also new and destined for the X only, although Zetec S and Titanium buyers can add certain X-standard kit as options.

Tested here is the higher-powered EcoBoost petrol, its turbo-enhanced 999cc pushing out 123bhp and yet sliding under the 100g/km limbo bar. Its power-to-weight figures and the Fiesta's reputation for handling give it a lot to live up to, and it does so with varying degrees of success.

The three-pot petrol engine is one of many that have been introduced in recent years but it's among the coarser, with a few more vibrations than others of its type.

It's also a bit more vocal than most which, given its characterful thrum, is not necessarily a bad thing unless your priorities list is dominated by refinement.

The turbo takes only a moment to respond and then delivers really enjoyable acceleration through the five-speed gearbox.

It's a remarkable piece of British-led engineering.

Its ratios are very tall, making it superb for nipping around town or through the outskirts where speeds rarely rise above 50mph and opportunities to put your foot down are few. Each gear keeps revs low and the unit is one of the main reasons the engine can achieve such high fuel economy.

Out of town, though, it soon becomes clear how the tall gearing holds the performance back. Under these conditions the engine needs to be worked harder and fuel economy suffers. A taller sixth gear would be welcome for motorway cruising.

As was seen in the Focus before the Fiesta, the lightweight EcoBoost engine also lightens the front end of the car, giving it an even keener turn-in. The effect is less pronounced in the Fiesta because the EcoBoost is only a little lighter than the 1.25-litre petrol it will replace, but the difference between it and the relatively heavy diesels is marked.

Interior materials seem solid and they're given an aesthetic boost with user-selectable colours for the dashboard. Achieving user satisfaction is a multi-layered challenge and more than ever these days the style defines how much people like it.

Ford knows what it's doing.

Drivers spend time 'ignoring the road'

Drivers spend 18 per cent of their time behind the wheel not watching the road at all, according to sophisticated research by insurer Direct Line.

Instead motorists apparently gaze at clouds, scenery, adverts and other non-driving related distractions, on average taking their eyes off the road every nine seconds.

The investigation utilised advanced eye-tracking technology to record drivers' eye movements, finding that motorists using sat-nav devices were distracted even more frequently, with 22 per cent of their journey spent focusing away from the road.

Participants were asked to wear specialist glasses that pinpoint the exact focus of the eye by tracking microscopic movements in the cornea. The results were then mapped onto video footage also taken by the glasses, enabling researchers to establish exactly where drivers focus their vision.

MOT plans watered down

EU plans that would have forced MoT tests on British caravan and trailer owners have been considerably watered down.

The plans, opposed by Britain and some other member states, could also have seen classic and historic vehicle owners having to take their cars off the road if they had been modified, even lightly.

But EU transport ministers meeting in Brussels have agreed changes to the original proposals.

This means small businesses and other motorists will not be forced to have their trailers and caravans subjected to mandatory MoT testing.

Motorists in buying mood

Consumers have given car dealers a boost to confidence levels in 2013, according to new research revealing that many are looking to buy, with Ford, Audi, BMW and Volkswagen topping choice lists for new and used.

A total of 38 per cent of consumers are looking to change their car in the next 12 months, 16 per cent in 2014, 18 per cent in 2015, nine per cent in 2016 and six per cent in 2017.

The motivation to buy is largely emotional rather than a need to replace their existing car and available budgets for most stretches to £10,000, with anticipated monthly payments of between £100 and £249 a month.

Smartphone integration

Hyundai has showcased new technology to greater integrate the increasing functionality of smartphones into cars. The connectivity technology, which will see production in 2015, allows drivers to use their smartphone to wirelessly open their car and stream an individualised profile of data and entertainment to the car's main screen.

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HOW CAN YOU RESIST? Sensitive, lovable and truthful Blackburn female, 65, searching for a responsible, decent male, for fun times and happiness. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 868409**

HOPE TO MEET YOU! Outgoing, attractive Bolton widow, 65, blonde, green eyes, 5'2'', GSOH, likes walking, dancing, cinema, good conversation and dining in/ out, seeking a genuine guy, for friendship and maybe more. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 125167**

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THE MORNING SUN Friendly Lancashire lass, 67, widow, likes the simple things in life, searching for a genuine man, with a kind nature, for genuine friendship. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 126661 or send a text to 80360**

PLENTY OF LOVING Blonde, brown-eyed Blackburn lady, 70, 5'5'', many interests, would love to meet a lovely, sensible man, for tender loving care. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 101525**

ALL FOR EACH OTHER Warm-hearted Lancashire widow, 75, 5'2'', slim-build, good sense of humour, looking for a chap, for companionship and perhaps more. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 123047**

TAKING THE FIRST STEP Young, blonde haired, blue eyed 75yr old Blackburn lady, petite, would like to meet an honest male to have a chat & a drink with. Likes going for country drives and weekend away. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 114823**

THINGS IN COMMON? Shy Blackburn male, 26, likes nights in and out, meals and generally having a good time, seeking a non-smoking female, for friendship leading to love. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 115438 or send a text to 80360**

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CARE FOR A WALK? Easygoing, reliable Blackburn guy, 37, tall, blue eyes, GSOH, enjoys socialising, keeping fit and cinema, searching for a genuine woman, funny, caring and honest, for romantic dates and more. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 114640 or send a text to 80360**

IDEAL SOULMATE Sociable, outgoing male, 38, 5'10'', slim build, does a lot of charity work, likes music, watching movies and nights in, seeking a similar female for good times and more. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 116861**

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HEART IN HAND Reliable, honest Accrington male, 43, enjoys walks, drives, places of interest, pub meals, seeking a woman, to share good times with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 129864 or send a text to 80360**

WORD FOR WORD Easygoing male, 43, 5ft10, dark hair, blue eyes, gsoh, likes keeping fit, the outdoors, nights in/out, looking for a nice Wigan lady. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 877028 or send a text to 80360**

EACH DAY IS A NEW ONE Kind, caring, loving Blackburn male, 48, 5'10'', enjoys music, walks, theatre, days out, seeking a similar woman, for good times and more. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 134603**

LOVE IS THE ANSWER Honest, loving, blue-eyed Blackburn male, 48, 6ft, stocky build, GSOH, looking for a genuine woman, to wine, dine and love. Could you be the one? **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 849502**

SHARE EACH OTHERS COMPANY Handsome, sporty Bolton male, 48, likes cooking, walks and cinema, would like to meet a nice, attractive, caring female, with a warm heart, for a lasting relationship. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 106757 or send a text to 80360**

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BY YOUR SIDE Solvent, loving Haslingden male, 50, N/S, hard-working, quiet, enjoys driving, cars, motorbikes and days out, seeking a similar female, kind and caring, 30-60, for a possible relationship. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 133171 or send a text to 80360**

COSY TIMES Energetic, blue-eyed Darwen chap, 51, nice build, loving nature, searching for a similar woman, any race, to share dances, cinema and life. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 126639 or send a text to 80360**

EVERYTHING I DO Steady, serene and considerate Brighton gent, 51, wants to meet a secure, genuine woman, to share the future with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 134497 or send a text to 80360**

FUN AND SOMETHING MORE Warm hearted male, 52, 5'4'', slim build, likes animals, walking, cinema, music, wltm nice lady, 44-55 for a lasting relationship. Rossendale. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 104881**

HARD TO RESIST Positive, patient and open Bolton male, 52, would like to meet a creative, intuitive female, for friendship and a fresh start in life. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 132975 or send a text to 80360**

NICE AND EASY Self-assured, honest and expressive Bolton guy, 53, just looking to meet a sensitive, intuitive female, to build a lasting, happy future with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 134566 or send a text to 80360**

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DANCE ALL NIGHT Happy-go-lucky Blackburn male, 59, 5'9'', likes country pursuits, ballroom dancing, seeking a lady counterpart, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 128113 or send a text to 80360**

MY SIMPLE WISH Loving Burnly widower, 60, 5'8'', coach driver, many interests, searching for an active, friendly, nice lady, to enjoy the good things in life. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 104247 or send a text to 80360**

FOR HAPPINESS Brown-eyed, smart, artistic Accrington male, 60, fit non-smoker, varied interest, would like to meet a slim lady, 45-60, who enjoys country walks, seeing nice places and live music. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 135153**

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SAIL AWAY Easygoing Blackburn widower, 56, with a passion for sailing and climbing, own yacht, enjoys walks, gardening & diy, seeking a professional lady, with caring disposition and a love of cats. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 111138**

WAGON WHEEL Decent looking chap, 56, stocky build, very loving and honest, likes social drinks, driving, the seaside, looking for a decent woman. Burnley/Burnley **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 111906 or send a text to 80360**

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YOU'RE NOT ALONE Sincere Burnley male, 57, N/S, likes music, good conversation, leisurely walks and the finer things, especially home comforts, seeks loving lady, for a long term relationship. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 800094**

A NEW JOURNEY Warm-hearted, amenable and sensitive Accrington man, 58, 5'7'', looking for a chatty, amenable lady, for friendship and a fresh start in life. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 134711 or send a text to 80360**

QUALITY MOMENTS TOGETHER Widowed Blackburn male, 60, dark hair, brown eyes, medium build, GSOH, no ties, looking for a loving female, to enjoy life with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 102137**

BREATH OF FRESH AIR Decent tall, slim Blackburn guy, 61, gsoh, great company, young outlook, likes countryside, day trips, cosy nights, wltm similar slim decent lass, 50-60 to share life's simple pleasures. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 116839**

LET'S ENJOY TOGETHER Solvent, upbeat Blackburn male, 61, good sense of humour, looking for a nice, slim-built lady, to share my life with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 127266 or send a text to 80360**

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GAME OF LOVE Friendly, active and spirited Blackburn male, 65, seeking a homely, sympathetic female, to build a loving relationship with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 130931 or send a text to 80360**

GENEROUS AND CARING Sincere male, widower, 65, GSOH, N/S, enjoys gardening, walking, meals out and weekend breaks, would like to meet a genuine and loving lady for friendship, maybe more. Blackburn/Lancs. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 111786**

THE STARS SHINE FOR YOU Tactile, caring Chorley chap, 69, 5'9'', N/S, own car, divorced, likes meals out, cosy times in, garden centres and country pubs, seeks a non-smoking lady, for future happiness. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 102046**

LEAD THE WAY Active, honest, genuine Chorley gent, 70, likes the simple things, drives, meals out, seeking a non-smoking woman, for company. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 129954**

SHY AT FIRST Blackburn widower, 70, likes the outdoors, cycling, pub lunches, travel, would to meet a lady, to share good times with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 124540**

ALL RIGHT TOGETHER Genuine, honest female, 61, likes walks, art gallery, cycling, tennis, wltm upbeat, happy go lucky women, for friendship leading to a lasting relationship. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 127360**

ENJOY GOOD COMPANY Down-to-earth Blackburn male, 22, slim-build, good sense of humour, seeking a fun, outgoing girl, for fun, laughter and more. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 133736 or send a text to 80360**

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FLYING WITHOUT WINGS Romantic, outgoing Blackburn male, 61, 5'6'', slim, blue eyes/fair hair, enjoys nights out, cooking, travel and socialising, looking for a nice guy to share life with. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 467829 or send a text to 80360**

EVER LASTING Straight-forward Bolton male, 65, searching for a fun male, 40-65, for friendship and company. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 126391 or send a text to 80360**

IMAGINE THE POSSIBILITIES Confident Bolton chap, 67, enjoys photography, social drinks, conversation and more, seeks a stocky, younger guy, 21-35, for fun, company and more. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 102687 or send a text to 80360**

BACK TO YOURS Genuine cross-dresser, 60s, various interests. WLTM assertive male for mutual fun times. All calls answered. Cannot accommodate. Bolton. **Call 0905 005 2349 and enter box number 318164 or send a text to 80360**

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